

## FAVORS BEER AND WINE CAFES

France Exempts Them From Paying Licenses After January 1.

PARIS, December 29.—Proprietors of cafes who give an undertaking to sell no spirituous liquors will be exempted from license dues after January 1.

The chamber of deputies voted to exempt all cafes, despite the opposition of the government and the budget committee of the chamber, who consider that the measure constitutes a bounty to liquor sellers, whose excessive numbers the government is striving to decrease, and a direct encouragement to drunkenness.

The exemption, in addition, it is pointed out, will represent a loss to the treasury of 27,000,000 francs (\$7,100,000).

The senate took the government's view, and refused to ratify the measure. Finally a compromise was reached by the two houses, whereby only the sellers of beer, wine, cider and non-alcoholic beverages come under the exempting clause.

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## GRANTS AN APPEAL TO LEO M. FRANK

Justice Lamar Paves Way for Hearing Before the U. S. Supreme Court.

APPELLANT HAD ASKED WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS

Application Refused by Federal District Court—Petitioner Sentenced to Die for Murder.

Leo M. Frank of Atlanta, Ga., sentenced to be hanged January 22 for murder, will have his case brought to the Supreme Court of the United States as the result of action late yesterday by Associate Justice Lamar of that court, who granted an appeal from the refusal of the federal district court of northern Georgia for a writ of habeas corpus.

If the court should decide Frank entitled to ask for the writ, the case would be remanded to the court below for the taking of evidence in support of the petition, and if it should be held that Frank must be released on the writ, the question might be raised as to the power of the state to indict and try him a second time.

Justice Lamar's statement, following: "Leo Frank's recent application for a writ of error was denied by me on the ground that no federal question was involved in the ruling of the supreme court of Georgia, that his motion to set aside the verdict finding him guilty of murder had been filed too late. This petition presents a wholly different question, since it is an application for the allowance of an appeal from the judgment of a federal court on the ground that the state court was so grossly in error that the verdict was a nullity, and that the state court was so grossly in error that the verdict was a nullity, and that the state court was so grossly in error that the verdict was a nullity."

Frank's petition for the writ of habeas corpus, addressed to the judge of the United States district court of the northern district of Georgia, alleges that on his trial for murder in the superior court of Fulton county, Ga., public feeling against him was so great that the presiding judge advised his counsel not to have him present in the courtroom when the verdict was returned, that his involuntary absence, under such circumstances, when the verdict was received, deprived him of a hearing to which he was entitled under the constitution and rendered his conviction void. He avers that his motion for a new trial was overruled, and he then moved to set aside the verdict as being void for want of jurisdiction; that in passing on that motion the state supreme court held that while he had the constitutional right to be present when the verdict against him was returned into court, yet such verdict could not be attacked by a motion to set aside, after the expiration of the trial term and after his motion for a new trial had been finally refused. He alleges that his attempt to have that judgment reviewed in the Supreme Court of the United States failed because, thought a federal question was raised in the record, the decision of the Supreme Court of Georgia was based on a matter of state practice.

Files Petition for Writ. "He thereafter filed this petition for a writ of habeas corpus in which he claims that the right to be present at the rendition of the verdict was jurisdictional, and that on habeas corpus he is entitled to a hearing on the question as to whether he had waived or could waive his constitutional right to be present when the verdict of guilty was returned into court. "The district judge heard no evidence as to the truth of the allegations, but refused on the ground that the facts therein stated did not entitle Frank to the benefit of that remedy. He declined to give the certificate of probable cause, and

this application for that certificate and for the allowance of an appeal was then made to justice as assigned to the fifth circuit. "Under the act of 1905 the application for the certificate is not to be determined by any views which may be held as to the effect of the final judgment of the state supreme court in refusing a new trial, but by considering whether the nature of the constitutional right to be present at the trial is of any decision expressly foreclosing the right to an appeal leaves the matter so far unaffected as to constitute a probable cause justifying the allowance of the appeal."

Questions Not Yet Determined. "The Supreme Court of the United States has never determined whether, on a trial for murder in a state court, the due process clause of the federal Constitution guarantees the defendant a right to be present when the verdict is rendered."

"Neither has it decided the effect of a final judgment refusing a new trial in a case where the defendant did not make the fact of his absence when the verdict was returned a ground of the motion, nor whether the nature of the verdict in his absence was the denial of a right guaranteed by the federal Constitution."

"Nor has it passed upon the effect of its own refusal to grant a writ of error in a case where an informed jurisdictional question was presented in a motion filed at a time not authorized by the practice of the state supreme court trial took place. Such questions are all involved in the present case, and since they have never been settled by any authoritative ruling by the full court it cannot be said that there is such a want of probable cause as to warrant the refusal of an appeal. That being true, the act of Congress requires that the certificate should be given and the appeal allowed."

State to Expedite Case.

ATLANTA, December 29.—Solicitor Dorsey, who conducted the prosecution of Leo M. Frank, was informed that Justice Lamar had granted Frank's appeal on the habeas corpus proceeding, stating that the state would expedite the case as much as possible. He said the appeal would be heard in the United States Supreme Court within sixty days, or sooner if that tribunal would consent to advance it.

Frank recently was sentenced by the Fulton county superior court to be hanged January 22 next.

**Society**  
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parture for a trip south. Other guests present were Misses Edith Hook, Elizabeth Haskins, Louise and Lillian Cordell and Prof. Henry E. Mann.

Mrs. Frederic Young will be informally at home tomorrow from 5 to 6 o'clock at her apartments in the Olympia.

The marriage of Miss Sylvia Saks, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Saks, and Mr. Leon E. Meyer of St. Louis, Mo., took place last night at the Hotel Powhatan in one of the drawing-rooms, under a canopy of greens and white roses and wedding bells, and was performed by Rabbi Isaacson, Rabbi Abraham Simon of the Eighth Street Temple. Relatives and intimate friends of the bride and groom were present.

The youthful bride, who is an attractive brunette, entered with her father to the strains of the wedding march from "Lohengrin" and wore a beautiful gown of soft white satin, with opalescent tulle and a train of gray and silver brocade.

Her tulle veil, which was worn off the face, was held in place with orange blossoms and she carried a shower bouquet of lilies of the valley and orchids. The only bridesmaid was a cavalier of diamonds, a gift of the groom. The maid of honor, Miss Edna Saks of Baltimore, and the bridesmaid, Mrs. A. Meyer of Galveston, Texas, wore black velvet and carried a corsage bouquet of orchids.

The groom had for his best man his brother, Morris B. Meyer of Galveston, Texas.

A dinner, which followed the ceremony, was served in the restaurant. The decorations of the tables were poinsettia blossoms and greens. Dancing was enjoyed during the evening.

Mrs. Samuel Saks, mother of the bride, wore black velvet trimmed in jet and a corsage bouquet of violets. Mrs. A. Meyer of Galveston, Texas, mother of the groom, wore black velvet with jetted net and a corsage bouquet of orchids.

Mr. and Mrs. Meyer will spend their honeymoon in New York and will then go to Jacksonville, Fla.

Before going to their future home, in St. Louis, Mo., the young couple will make a short stay here with the bride's parents.

The bride's going-away gown was of brown velvet de laine, with a collar of sand-colored velvet trimmed in blue fox, and her furs were of blue fox. Among the out-of-town guests were Mrs. A. West of Galveston, Texas, mother of the groom; Mrs. Joseph Saks, Mr. Harold Schwab and Miss Meta Schwab of Galveston, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. Meyer of Houston, Texas; Mr. Leopold Meyer and Mr. Morris Meyer of Galveston, Texas; Mrs. Minnie Saks; Misses Sarah, Tillie and Rena Schwartz of Baltimore; Miss Margaret Greenhut of Los Angeles; Miss M. Schwartz of Baltimore; Misses Lucille and Gladys Lowenberg and Miss Seligman of Norfolk, Va.

The bride received many beautiful gifts, which were shown to her friends at her home, 1233 Lanier place, during the week. Mr. and Mrs. Saks were at home to their friends Sunday night, assisted by their daughter and near relatives.

Miss Jeanette Levy, Miss Gertrude Levy and Mr. Milford Levy of Tallahassee, Fla., who are attending school in Baltimore, are spending the holidays with their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Blum of 1245 Irving street.

Miss Alice Fillus and Mr. C. E. Weichardt, of St. Louis, were married Christmas eve at the residence of Rev. W. G. Davenport. After a reception at the home of the bride's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. William P. Kelly, the couple left for a short stay in Milwaukee, Wis., and Niagara Falls.

The bride was attended by Miss Agnes O'Keefe, and her uncle, Mr. Raymond Fillus, acted as best man. Mr. and Mrs. Weichardt will make their future home at Newport, R. I.

## SAYS PRISONERS OF WAR ARE HUMANELY TREATED

Special Attache of United States Embassy in London Reports Results of Investigation.

Chandler Anderson, who, as a special attache of the American embassy in London, made an investigation of military prison camps in practically all the European belligerent countries, declared today there was no substantial difference in the treatment of prisoners of war, and that probably in every case they were cared for as well as their captors could afford, considering their own military necessities. Mr. Anderson made personal investigations in England, Belgium and Germany and Austria and also had knowledge from reliable sources as to conditions in France and Russia.

Praises American Ambassador.

Mr. Anderson has just returned to Washington on account of the illness of his wife. It is probable he will remain in London in a few weeks. He speaks in terms of the highest praise of the work being done by Walter Hines Page, the American ambassador at London, and says that through the excellent relations he has established with the foreign office he has been able to accomplish many things beyond the reach of another official.

The Germans at the date of Mr. Anderson's departure from Europe had about 450,000 prisoners of war, about 200,000 French, Russians and an equal number British, the remainder being Belgians. The prisoners were given the regular army ration, and their principal lack was clothing suitable for the season and opportunities for bathing. Most of them had been arrested in summer and fall, wearing light clothing and were consequently suffering somewhat from the cold. The military prisoners, particularly were found in worst circumstances because the German government would not allow them to accept and wear civilian clothes, less it facilitate their escape and the British government, on the other hand, had not found the opportunity to forward the clothing to the prisoners.

Good Quarters in England.

In England, the German and Austrian prisoners had been confined to the race courses, but more recently have been transferred to ocean liners lying idle at their docks. The quarters on the vessels are good, with every facility for keeping the prisoners warm and properly fed.

Conditions in Austria, Mr. Anderson believes, are very like those in Germany, and the same is true of Russia. One of the unavoidable hardships of the prison camps in all countries was the enforced association of all elements of society.

The Antioch Southern M. E. Church, at Cambridge, Md., was destroyed by fire. The church was built about sixty years ago.

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## NEGRO BURGLAR BALKED AT TAKOMA PARK LIBRARY

Janitor Is Slashed in Encounter With Early Morning Intruder, Who Escapes.

The vigorous blowing of a police whistle attracted Sgt. Russell and Policeman Stearnman to the Public Library, Takoma Park, about 2:15 o'clock this morning. Only a few minutes before the whistle was blown, it is said, the two men in uniform separated near the library and went in opposite directions, and on their return to the library they found William R. Stone, the janitor, partly clad. He told of an encounter he had had with a colored burglar.

He was aroused by the crashing of a window pane, and said he found a negro about to enter the building; that he grabbed the man around the neck and the latter cut his arm.

A resident on the opposite side of the street heard the commotion and went to a front window, taking his rifle with him and covering the front of the library building to apprehend any intruder who might appear. Stone was the only person he saw until the police came.

Sgt. Russell and Policeman Stearnman made a search for the burglar described by the janitor, but found no trace of him. It is stated that a number of small thefts have been committed in the library, but an examination of the building today failed to show that anything was taken this morning.

\$107,000 NETTED DURING YEAR.

Solicitor of Agricultural Department Gives Figures in Report.

Fines and recoveries in litigations exceeded \$107,000 for the fiscal year 1914 of the department. Deviations, according to the report of the solicitor of the department, Decisions in favor of the government on questions relating to the national forests resulted, the report states, in the retention of more than 27,000 acres of land, supporting approximately 155,000,000 feet of merchantable timber, worth about \$250,000.

During the year 1909 formal opinions were written, 2,000 contracts drawn and 3,000 orders prepared for prosecution. Regulations were prepared abolishing the misleading guaranty legends under the food and drugs act and under the insecticide act. Revision of the regulations adopted in 1903 for the enforcement of the meat inspection act of 1906 were completed, as well as revision of the regulations for the imported meat act of 1913.

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